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Summer homework assignment: Read the above article (it is short)

Respond to the following prompt:

As the world of robotics is constantly expanding into new and innovative realms, what are some concerns you might have in regards to the Lion Fish exterminating robots? Are you for or against technology being used in this manner? Thinking on a local level, if you could develop a robot to solve an issue in your world, what issue would your robot address and how would it work?

**Rubric: Writing an opinion/argument**

Take a stand on the topic, develop a compelling argument to explain your point. Your argument should include the main idea, connections with significant details, background information, and meaning. An excellent argument can be completed in one good, healthy paragraph.

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|  | Topic sentence clearly identifies the writers opinion on the topic. (1 pts) |
|  | Topic sentence correctly uses a strong verb. (1 pt) |
|  | Topic sentence finishes with the main idea of the argument. (1 pts) |
|  | Argument includes background information from the passage, including facts that adequately support the main idea. (2 pts) |
|  | Argument details the authors stance for the passage. (1 pts) |
|  | Argument uses complete sentences and has no spelling, punctuation, or grammar errors. (2 pts) |
|  | Transitions are used appropriately. (1 pt) |
|  | Writing is submitted on time and typed (12 pt font, double spaced, including a proper header that includes name, period, date. (1 pt) |
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|  | **X 5 = TOTAL POINTS**  (50 possible) |